

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

This invention introduces a series of esters to be used as emollients in cosmetic formulations. These are C₁₂ - C₁₅ blended alcohol esters, C₁₆, C₁₈, C₂₀ and C₂₂ alcohol esters of fumaric and maleic acids.

When used "neat" or in formulations they are unusually safe by standard cosmetic tests. A unique and ideal physical property of the C₁₂ - C₁₅ blend alcohol ester of fumaric acid is that it is a solid melting at body temperature.

These esters, with their safety and physical properties, introduce the cosmetic chemist to new ideal cosmetic emollients for use in any cosmetic formulation.